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Dear Chairmen Tauzin and Domenici, Congressman Dingell and Senator Bingaman:

We are writing to express support for the inclusion of a strong climate change policy in the final energy bill.

Based on the findings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the U.S. National Academy of Sciences, and the State Department's "Climate Action Report," we believe prudent action is needed to address the environmental and economic impacts of climate change. We respectfully urge you to develop a comprehensive energy policy that begins to take steps towards addressing global climate change.

The climate titles in the Senate bill include a number of commonsense steps that will ensure public disclosure of greenhouse gas emissions from large emitters, create a White House Office of Climate Policy, encourage U.S. participation in international climate change negotiations, provide for the development of a report to Congress on a national strategy to stabilize emissions, and expand research and innovative technology.

These provisions are an important effort to find meaningful common ground to begin addressing our impact on the global climate even as we ensure reliable energy supplies. We are hopeful that you will use the energy conference as an opportunity to begin to address the issue of climate change.

Sincerely.

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